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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Phillip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: February 2, 2016

SUBJECT: January 2016 Homeless Census Results

The purpose of this Letter To Commission is to transmit the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust's final results for the January 21- 22, 2016 Point-in-Time Homeless Census.

According to the latest census results, the City's homeless population showed a slight decrease from 196 homeless persons to 156:

Year	Winter	Summer	Variance (Winter to Summer)	Year to Year Variance	
				Winter	Summer
2010	149	196	+47	N/A	N/A
2011	177	218	+41	+28	+22
2012	173	186	+13	-4	-32
2013	138	106	-32	-35	-80
2014	122	157	+35	-16	+51
2015	193	196	+3	+71	+39
2016	156	N/A	N/A	-37	N/A

As a comparison, the total count for Miami-Dade County's street homeless fell slightly:

Municipality/Area	January 2015	January 2016
City of Miami	616	640
City of Miami Beach	193	156
All Other Areas of Miami-Dade County	196	186

While the census measures homeless encountered on the streets on one day and at one point-in-time (10pm to 6am), it is not a true reflection of homelessness in our community. The City tracks its homeless in various ways including:
- Street outreach (those encountered by staff as they canvass the streets)
- Walk-in Center (those proactively seeking services including shelter, relocation and food)
- Police Referrals (those contacted by Police during regular patrol)

While the census identified 156 homeless people, the City placed 540 people in shelter last year. Since October 1, 2015, the City has placed 291 people in shelter.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to see me.

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HOMELESS TRUST CENSUS RESULTS & COMPARISON: JANUARY 22, 2015/JANUARY 21, 2016

UNSHELTERED HOMELESS COUNT	# ON 1/22/15	# ON 1/21/16	Difference +/-	%
City of Miami-City of Miami, City Limits	616	640	24	**4%**
City of Miami Beach- Miami Beach	193	156	-37	**-19%**
Miami-Dade County-South Dade, South of Kendall Drive to Monroe County Line	61	68	7	**11%**
Miami-Dade County-Unincorporated Miami-Dade County, North of Kendall Drive to Broward County Line	137	118	-19	**-14%**
Subtotal- # of UNSHELTERED Homeless:	1007	982	**-25**	**-2%**

SHELTERED HOMELESS COUNT	# ON 1/22/15	# ON 1/21/16	Difference +/-	%
Total Homeless in Emergency Shelter	1,555	1,716	161	**10%**
Cold Weather Placements	NA	0	0	**0%**
Hotel/Motel	156	247	91	**58%**
Total Homeless in Transitional Housing	1408	1266	-142	**-10%**
Safe Haven	26	24	-2	**-8%**
Subtotal-SHELTERED Homeless:	3145	3253	**108**	**3%**

TOTAL - SHELTERED AND UNSHELTERED HOMELESS:				
	4152	4235	83	**2%**

There was a (n=25), 2.5% county-wide decrease in the number of homeless people on the street, and (n=108), 3% increase in the sheltered population. Overall our census was higher by (n=83), 2% as compared to the previous census year.

	# ON 1/22/15	# ON 1/21/16
Weather Conditions:	Partly cloudy, High in the low 70's	Partly cloudy, High in the upper to mid 60's (City of Miami Beach had winds of 18 to 21 mph)

MIAMI-DADE HOMELESS TRUST
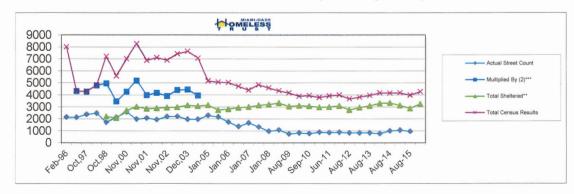
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HOMELESS CENSUS RESULTS
Summary - Life - To - Date Census

	Actual Street Count	Multiplied By (2)***	Total Sheltered**	Total Census Results
Feb-96				8000
Apr,97	2161	4322		4322
Oct,97	2138	4276		4276
Feb,98	2403	4806		4806
Oct,98	2490	4980	2220	7200
Apr,00	1737	3474	2093	5567
Nov,00	2141	4282	2708	6990
Jun,01	2604	5208	3050	8258
Nov,01	2001	4002	2873	6875
Apr,02	2094	4188	2912	7100
Nov,02	1960	3920	2969	6889
Apr,03	2211	4422	2998	7420
Dec,03	2231	4462	3165	7627
Apr,04	1982	3964	3093	7057
Jan-05	1989		3171	5160
Sep-05	2297		2759	5056
Jan-06	2182		2833	5015
Jul-06	1754		2955	4709
Jan-07	1380		3012	4392
Jul-07	1683		3151	4834
Jan-08	1347		3227	4574
Jan-09	994		3339	4333
Aug-09	1089		3067	4156
Jan-10	759		3120	3879
Sep-10	847		3083	3930
Jan-11	789		2988	3777
Jun-11	898		3011	3909
Jan-12	868		3108	3976
Aug-12	894		2769	3663
Jan-13	839		2963	3802
Aug-13	848		3103	3951
Jan-14	840		3316	4156
Aug-14	792		3349	4141
Jan-15	1007		3145	4152
Aug-15	1067		2899	3966
Jan-16	982		3277	4259

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* Based on the State's approved counting methodology
** Please note that there was no data collected under "Total Sheltered" for April 1997, October 1997
  and February 1998.
*** 1999 Counts were not used due to discrepancies in counting methodologies.
**** Multiplier was eliminated January 2005, census methodologies standardized with law enforcement
*****Jan 2013 Revised April 30, 2013 Shelter Nubmers increased by 68 DV Program Program not in HMIS